

Harpers Ferry

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Harpers Ferry National Historical Park



2015 Schedule of Events

Exhibit: *Freedman's Bureau: Educating the Newly Freed Slaves and the Prelude to Storer College*

Date: February 1 - December 31 **Time:** 9am to 5pm

Location: Second floor of John Brown Museum

Description: This year long exhibit will highlight the Freedman's Bureau's efforts in Harpers Ferry and the foundations of Storer College.

Event: *The Enemy Among Us: Defending Harpers Ferry During the War of 1812*

Date: March 14, 15 **Time:** 11am to 4pm

Location: Lower Town

Description: Visit a Living History 1812 military recruitment station. See how the town's citizens react and how the armory workers respond to the British invasion.

Event: *Necessity: The Mother of Invention*

Date: March 28, 29 **Time:** 11am to 4pm

Location: Lower Town

Description: Meet Harpers Ferry's industrial workers and citizens at special exhibits featuring the technological advances of 19th century.

Event: *Refereeing Rights: The Freedman's Bureau, 1865*

Date: April 11 **Time:** 11am to 4pm

Location: Lower Town

Description: After the Civil War ended, reconstruction of the south began. Learn of issues faced by the Provost Marshal as they supported the activities of the Freedman's Bureau.

Event: *Refereeing Rights: The Freedman's Bureau, 1865*

Date: April 18 **Time:** 11am to 4pm

Location: Lower Town

Description: President Lincoln was assassinated on April 15, 1865. Learn how the Provost Marshal reacted to the situation and how they supported the newly formed Freedman's Bureau.

Event: *Under Fire: The Battle of Bolivar Heights, 1862*

Date: April 25, 26 Demonstrations at 1pm, 2pm, & 3pm

Location: Bolivar Heights Battlefield

Description: Join members of the artillery crew as they demonstrate the might and intimidation of field artillery.

Special Events are made possible through the generous support of the Harpers Ferry Historical Association. Visit the bookshop on Shenandoah Street, call them at 304-535-6881, or check out their website at <http://www.harpersferryhistory.org>.

Event: *City Farming: Food in the Backyard*

Date: May 9, 10

Time: 11am to 4pm

Location: Lower Town

Description: Learn about farming in antebellum Harpers Ferry, and see examples of 19th century organic foods. Purchase heirloom seeds at the Bookshop to start your own kitchen garden.

Event: *Defend and Protect: Arming America's Soldiers*

Date: May 23, 24

Time: 11am to 4pm

Location: Lower Town

Description: See this armory town come to life through historic weapons firing demonstrations and special activities which highlight the armory's technology, inventions, and weapons.

Event: *Under Fire: The Battle of Bolivar Heights, 1862*

Date: May 30, 31 Demonstrations at 1pm, 2pm, & 3pm

Location: Bolivar Heights Battlefield

Description: Join members of the artillery crew as they demonstrate the might and intimidation of field artillery.

Event: *14th Annual Don Redman Heritage Awards & Concert*

Date: June 27

Time: 6pm

Location: Mather Lawn, Camp Hill

Description: This year's event and concert feature guests George Cables, Dr. Eddie Henderson, and the Howard Burns Quartet.

Event: *Under Fire: The Battle of Bolivar Heights, 1862*

Date: June 27, 28 Demonstrations at 1pm, 2pm, & 3pm

Location: Bolivar Heights Battlefield

Description: Join members of the artillery crew as they demonstrate the might and intimidation of field artillery.

Event: *Peace, Freedom, & Union: July 4th 1865*

Date: July 4, 5

Time: 11am to 4pm

Location: Lower Town

Description: See how the reunited country recognizes Independence Day in 1865. Learn of the post-war trials and triumphs of the Provost Marshal and the Freedman's Bureau.

Event: *Under Fire: The Battle of Bolivar Heights, 1862*

Date: July 11, 12

Time: Demonstrations at 1pm, 2pm, & 3pm

Location: Bolivar Heights Battlefield

Description: Join members of the artillery crew as they demonstrate the might and intimidation of field artillery.

2015 Schedule of Events Cont.

Event: *Supplied for Survival: Thomas Jefferson Remembers the Lewis & Clark Expedition*

Date: July 18 Presentations at 1pm & 3pm

Location: Lower Town

Description: Discover Harpers Ferry's role in the Lewis and Clark expedition, featuring Bill Barker as Thomas Jefferson.

Event: *Medical Weekend: Giving Aid and Comfort*

Date: July 18, 19 **Time:** 11am to 4pm

Location: Lower Town

Description: Living history volunteers of the 3rd US, 142nd PA Infantry, and the 20th Maine Hospital will portray the medical and relief efforts provided to soldiers during the Civil War.

Event: *I Will Follow Them To the Death: Sheridan's Soldiers, 1864*

Date: July 25, 26 **Time:** 11am to 4pm

Location: Lower Town

Description: This program presents Harpers Ferry as the staging area for Union General Philip Sheridan's Shenandoah Campaign during the summer of 1864.

Event: *Under Fire: The Battle of Bolivar Heights, 1862*

Date: August 1, 2 Demonstrations at 1pm, 2pm, & 3pm

Location: Bolivar Heights Battlefield

Description: Join members of the artillery crew as they demonstrate the might and intimidation of field artillery.

Event: *The Enemy Among Us: Defending Harpers Ferry During The War of 1812*

Date: August 8, 9 **Time:** 11am to 4pm

Location: Lower Town

Description: Visit a Living History 1812 military recruitment station. See how the town's citizens react and how the armory workers respond to the British invasion.

Event: *Niagara Movement Pilgrimage to John Brown's Fort*

Date: August 16 **Time:** 8am

Location: Murphy/Chambers Farm and Curtis Freewill Baptist Church

Description: Retrace the footsteps of the Niagara Movement with a commemorative walk to the 1906 site of John Brown's Fort. A 10am memorial service will follow at the Curtis Freewill Baptist Church.

Event: *Bringing in the Harvest*

Date: September 5, 6 **Time:** 11am to 4pm

Location: Lower Town at Roeder's Confectionery Kitchen

Description: Join 19th Century Historic Foodways Expert Carol Anderson for this in-depth look at how summer time harvest foods were preserved for winter consumption.

Event: *Mr. Lincoln Returns to Harpers Ferry*

Date: October 3 Presentations at 1pm & 3pm

Location: Lower Town

Description: Visit with our nation's 16th president, as portrayed by Jim Getty.

Event: *Under Fire: The Battle of Bolivar Heights, 1862*

Date: October 10, 11 Demonstrations at 1pm, 2pm, & 3pm

Location: Bolivar Heights Battlefield

Description: Join members of the artillery crew as they demonstrate the might and intimidation of field artillery.

Event: *Reacting to the Raid: The US Marines*

Date: October 17, 18 **Time:** 11am to 4pm

Location: Lower Town

Description: Witness a living history demonstration on how 1859 abolitionist John Brown was captured by US troops.

Event: *Drink Your Apples: Roeder's Tavern Cider Making, 1860*

Date: October 24, 25 **Time:** 11am to 4pm

Location: Lower Town, Roeder's Confectionary and Roeder's White Hall Tavern

Description: Step back in time and learn the time-honored tradition of preserving harvest time apples by making cider.

Event: *Under Fire: The Battle of Bolivar Heights, 1862*

Date: October 31, November 1

Demonstrations at 1pm, 2pm, & 3pm

Location: Bolivar Heights Battlefield

Description: Join members of the artillery crew as they demonstrate the might and intimidation of field artillery.

Event: *Capt. Flagg's US Quartermaster City: Prospects of Peace*

Date: December 5, 6 **Time:** 11am to 5pm

Location: Lower Town

Description: Living history volunteers present Captain Flagg's 1864 US Quartermaster city. Through this Yuletide event, we invite you to reflect on what the Civil War determines - the Union of the States and eventual freedom of 4 million enslaved people.

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